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March 15, 2007

Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petitions of the Verizon Telephone Companies for Forbearance
Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) in the Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh,
Providence and Virginia Beach Metropolitan Statistical Areas, WC Docket No. 06-172

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the Protective Orders, released September 14, 2006 and January 25, 2007 respectively, in the above captioned proceeding, please find executed Acknowledgments of Confidentiality by William E. Taylor and Agustin J. Ros of the National Economic Research Associates and William S. Randolph and Michael A. Browne of Verizon Communications.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Attachments

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NAME PRINTED: Michael A, Browne Jr.

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APPENDIX A

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I hereby acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the foregoing Second Protective Order in the above-captioned proceeding, and I understand it. I agree that I am bound by the Second Protective Order and that I shall not disclose or use Stamped Highly Confidential Documents or Highly Confidential Information except as allowed by this Second Protective Order. I acknowledge that a violation of the Second Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Federal Communications Commission.

Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent that I have any employment, affiliation or role with any person or entity other than a conventional private law firm (such as, but not limited to, a lobbying or public interest organization), I acknowledge specifically that my access to any information obtained as a result of the Second Protective Order is due solely to my capacity as Outside Counsel of Record or Outside Consultant to a party or other person described in paragraph 8 of the foregoing Second Protective Order and that I will not use such information in any other capacity nor will I disclose such information except as specifically provided in the Second Protective Order.

I acknowledge that it is my obligation to ensure that: (1) Stamped Highly Confidential Documents and Highly Confidential Information are used only as provided in the Second Protective Order; and (2) Stamped Highly Confidential Documents are not duplicated except as specifically permitted by the terms of paragraphs 9, 12, 13 and 15 of the Second Protective Order, and I certify that I have verified that there are in place procedures at my firm or office to prevent unauthorized disclosure of Stamped Highly Confidential Documents or Highly Confidential Information.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Second Protective Order.

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